

# Program Schedule

**Thursday, October 15, 2009**

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## **7:00 a.m. – Conference Registration**

Cuyahoga Falls Sheraton  
1989 Front Street, Cuyahoga Falls

## **8:30 a.m. – The 2008 Presidential Nomination Contests**

Chair: **Karl Kaltenthaler**, Bliss Institute

- *Seeking Competitive Advantage: How Presidential Nomination Campaigns Adapt to Social, Economic, and Technological Change*  
**Wayne P. Steger**, DePaul University, **Randall A. Adkins**, University of Nebraska-Omaha, and **Andrew J. Dowdle**, University of Arkansas
- *The Return of the Brokered Convention? Democratic Party Rules and Presidential Nominations*  
**Rick Farmer**, Oklahoma House of Representatives
- *Determining the Direction of the Party: Running Mate Selection, Primary Campaigns, and Party Ideology*  
**Julia Azari**, Marquette University
- *The Racial and Cultural Divide in the 2008 Democratic Primaries*  
**Joel Lieske**, Cleveland State University

## **10:00 a.m. – Break**

## **10:15 a.m. – The Party System in 2008**

Chair: **David Cohen**, Bliss Institute

- *A Party Watershed in the 2008 Election?*  
**John R. Petrocik**, University of Missouri
- *Party Factions in 2008*  
**Howard L. Reiter**, University of Connecticut
- *Superpower America: An American Politics Scholar Watches the 2008 Election from Abroad*  
**Robin Kolodny**, Temple University
- *An Appreciation of Partisanship*  
**Nancy Rosenblum**, Harvard University

## **12:00 p.m. – Lunch**

## **1:30 p.m. – Partisanship in 2008**

Chair: **Daniel Coffey**, Bliss Institute

- *The Consequences of Republican Party Strategy*  
**Rebekah E. Liscio**, Syracuse University and **Jeffrey M. Stonecash**, Syracuse University
- *The Growth and Consequences of Ideological Primary Challenges*  
**Robert G. Boatright**, Clark University
- *The Context for Partisanship Stability*  
**J. Quin Monson**, **Kelly D. Patterson** and **Jeremy C. Pope**, Brigham Young University
- *Walk the Party Line: Individual-Level Determinants of Trust of Political Parties*  
**William J. Miller**, Ohio University

### 3:15 p.m. – Break

### 3:30 p.m. – Party Organizations in 2008

Chair: **Paul Herrnson**, University of Maryland

- *How the Campaign Finance System Affected Party Organizations in the 2008 Presidential Elections*  
**Raymond J. La Raja**, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- *Obama's Net-roots Campaign and the Future of Local Party Organizations*  
**Daniel M. Shea**, Allegheny College
- *The Party's Still Going: County Party Strength, Activity, and Influence*  
**Melody Crowder-Meyer**, Princeton University
- *Party-on-the-Periphery: The 2008 Presidential Campaign in Mahoning County*  
**Melanie J. Blumberg**, California University of Pennsylvania, **William C. Binning**, Youngstown State University, **Sarah Lewis**, Youngstown State University

### 6:00 p.m. – Reception

### 6:30 p.m. - Dinner

### 7:30 p.m. – Keynote Speaker

**Michael Steele**, Chair, Republican National Convention

## Friday, October 16, 2009

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### 8:30 a.m. – Party Activists in 2008

Chair: **Steve Brooks**, Bliss Institute

- *The State of the Party Elites: National Convention Delegates, 1992-2008*  
**John Jackson**, Southern Illinois University and **John C. Green**, University of Akron
- *Networking the Parties: A Comparative Study of Democratic and Republican National Convention Delegates*  
**Seth E. Masket**, University of Denver, **Michael T. Heaney**, University of Michigan, **Dara Z. Strolovitch**, University of Minnesota and **Joanne M. Miller**, University of Minnesota
- *The Internet-ilization of American Parties: The Implications of the Unity08 Effort*  
**Kira C. Allmann**, and **Ron Rapoport** College of William and Mary and **Daniel Maliniak**, University of California, San Diego
- *Organizing for America*  
**Barbara Trish**, Grinnell College

### 10:00 a.m. – Break

### 10:15 a.m. – Party Resources in 2008

Chair: **Gail Garbrandt**, Bliss Institute

- *Small Donors, Large Donors and National Party Spending in 2008*  
**Michael J. Malbin**, The Campaign Finance Institute
- *What Follows Winning (or Losing) the Majority? Congressional Party Fundraising Responses to Changes in Party Control*  
**Eric Heberlig**, University of North Carolina, Charlotte and **Bruce Larson**, Gettysburg College
- *Rolling in Dough: Campaign Contributors and Contributors in the 2008 Presidential*

*Election*

**Costas Panagopolous**, Fordham University and **John C. Green**, University of Akron

- *Politics as 'Team Sport: Advantage to the Democrats*  
**David Magleby**, Brigham Young University

**12:00 p.m. – Lunch and Panel: Party in Government**

Chair: **James McHugh**, University of Akron

- *Barack Obama and the Partisan Presidency*  
**Richard Skinner**, Rollins College
- *Party Governance Under Speaker Pelosi*  
**R. Lawrence Butler**, Rowan University
- *Do Parties Matter? Legislative Productivity in the States*  
**William Hicks**, University of Florida and **Daniel A. Smith**, University of Florida
- *Party Activists and Representation in the 2006 Elections*  
**Walter J. Stone**, UC Davis and **Matthew Pietryka**, UC Davis